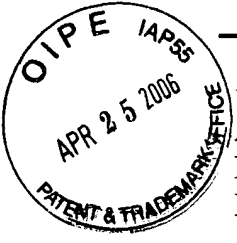


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This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of January 27, 2006, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.